

STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Notice of Proposed Action

November 7, 2007

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received an application for a Groundwater Discharge Permit, NEV2007508, from the following applicant:

Western Dairy Specialities, LLC 4 Austin Avenue Yerington, Nevada 89447

The Applicant proposes to discharge a maximum of 25,000 gallons per day of industrial process wastewater, the waste stream from a reverse osmosis (RO) water treatment system, to groundwaters of the State via percolation of irrigation water during the growing season and subsurface infiltration during the winter months from a milk processing plant. The plant is being constructed on McCleod Street east of US 95A. The RO system will use the City of Yerington public water supply as feed water and will generate ultra pure, total dissolved solids less than 2 mg/L, water for use in the milk process. The reject water will be higher in impurities than the feed water but is required to meet drinking water standards for discharge. The discharge will be used to irrigate lawn and other facility landscaping, primarily trees. The infiltration discharge will be via emitter lines in 24-inch deep, backfilled trenches.

On the basis of preliminary review of the requirements of the Nevada Revised Statutes, as amended, and implementing regulations, the Administrator proposes to issue Permit NEV2007508 to discharge for a five (5) year period, subject to certain effluent limitations.

Persons wishing to comment upon or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand delivered, e-mailed, or postmarked no later than 5:00 P.M. on December 6, 2007, to:

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Division of Environmental Protection Bureau of Water Pollution Control 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249

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The request must be filed within the comment period and must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reasons why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. A public notice of such hearing will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other project information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Bruce Holmgren, Bureau of Water Pollution Control, at (775) 687-9423 or at bholmgre@ndep.nv.gov. The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. For further information, the fact sheet for this project can be viewed at the following website: http://ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm.